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Osage Negotiated Rulemaking

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I wish to express my strong concerns regarding the proposed changes in the subject CFR.

I have been an oil and gas producer in Osage Co. for over 40 years and have seen several "boom and bust" cycles brought on by various economic conditions. Careful analysis will reveal that the primary mainstay and predominate underlying factor that has stabilized, mitigated, and benefited the Osage mineral interest during these negative cycles are the hundreds of small independent producers active on these Tribal lands.

Without the commitment, devotion, and sacrifice that the small producer exhibits in the form of lowering his operating costs and engaging in "sweat equity" when negative economic and regulatory challenges occur, DAILY OIL AND GAS PRODUCTION WILL FALL.

When oil pricing regulations become so unfair and when the basket of other regulations become so weighty, these proposed revised regulations instituted to help the Osage Tribe will in fact have the opposite effect, DAILY OIL AND GAS PRODUCTION WILL FALL.

If drastic regulatory changes must occur, at least integrate these changes gradually so the small producer can try to adapt and survive. This survival of the "little guy" is key to the Tribes' future.
PLEASE don't let Osage County become a "pariah" of oil producing areas.

Thank you for the opportunity to express my concerns.
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